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This bill was presented to the Majlis by the government on 1/23/1983 and its generalities were approved on Saturday 3/12/1983 after discussion and study of opposing and faring representatives and representatives' investigation regarding corrective recommendations concerning its sections ended on 3/16/1983 and it was referred to and ratified by the Council of Guardians.

The National Budget Bill of 1983 is over five trillion, eight hundred sixteen billion, one hundred fifty-six million, nine hundred and thirty-eight thousand rials (5,816,156,938,000) and its general budget, considering revenues and other sources of providing credit

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